
REPLACEMENT LOCAL PLAN - MONITORING

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Members' views on a new chapter to be included in the First Deposit Draft of the Replacement Local Plan. The Plan will replace the existing Rochford District Local Plan First Review and provide a policy basis for the control of development in the District up to 2011.
- 1.2 The preparation of a Local Plan is a statutory function for the authority.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 The Monitoring chapter of the replacement local plan contains one policy and supporting text. The chapter commences with a statement of corporate and Planning Division objectives and an introduction to the subject area. This is followed by the areas to be monitored and the policy, finishing with a reference and contact list. (See attached appendix).
- 2.2 A number of changes have been made to bring the existing monitoring chapter up to date and in line with new legislation. However, most of the areas to be monitored remain unchanged.

3 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

- 3.1 The emphasis of the chapter is basically the same, although new Government legislation has necessitated new monitoring criteria such as for the re-use of previously developed land and the number of affordable homes.
- 3.2 The eventual replacement of local plans with local development documents in line with the new Planning Act is explained.
- 3.3 Best value performance indicators introduced by The Department of Environment Transport and Regions (DETR) are included.

4 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The monitoring chapter updates the existing plan policy and takes on board current statutory guidance and incorporates this in the

monitoring process. The policy is designed to monitor the effectiveness of the plan's policies.

5 RECOMMENDATION

5.1 It is recommended:

That, subject to Members comments, the draft monitoring chapter be approved for inclusion in the replacement local plan. (HPS)

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